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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,531,870
AB United States Patent No. 5,574,372
AC United States Patent No. 5,414,360
AD United States Patent No. 4,864,241
AE United States Patent No. 4,825,162
AF United States Patent No. 4,680,548
AL German OS 34 45 724

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AA corresponds to German OS 101 56 770, Reference AB corresponds to German OS 44 14 371 and Reference AC corresponds to German OS 42 30 145, which were identified and discussed at pages 2-4 of the present specification. Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of these references.

References AA, AC, AD, AE, AF and AL also were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith. An English translation of Reference AL is not readily available to the Applicants, however, an English language abstract is attached thereto.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

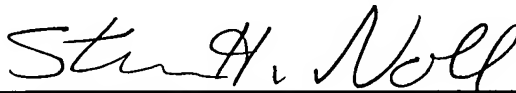
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	AA	6,531,870	03/11/03	Heid et al.			
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	AC	5,414,360	05/09/95	Westphal et al.			
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